

### REMARKS

Initially, Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the examiner's indication that claims 1-9 are allowed.

Upon entry of the above amendment, claim 10 will have been canceled. In view of the herein contained amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration together with allowance of all pending claims.

In response to the examiner's restriction requirement, applicant has canceled claim 10 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof, and reserves the right to file a divisional application thereon.

Thus, in view of the cancellation of non-elected claim 10, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance, since all the remaining claims have been indicated by the examiner as being allowed. An early indication of the allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

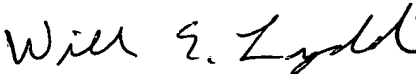
### SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

Applicant believes that the present application is in condition for allowance, and respectfully requests an indication to that effect. Applicant has canceled, without prejudice, the only claim that the examiner has not indicated as being allowable. Accordingly, reconsideration of the outstanding Official Action and

allowance of the present application and all the recited claims therein are respectfully requested and now believed to be appropriate.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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